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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants : Michael R. Hale et al.
Application No. : 10/600,937 Confirmation No. : 6239
Filed : June 20, 2003
For : SULFONAMIDE INHIBITORS OF ASPARTYL
PROTEASE
Group Art Unit : 1624
Examiner : Thomas C. McKenzie

New York, New York 10020
August 25 2005

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

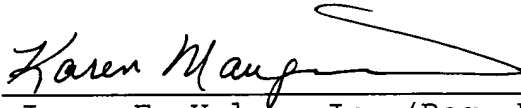
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants
hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to
respond to the Examiner's Action dated February 28, 2005.
With the extension, a response is due on or August 29, 2005
(August 28, 2005 being a Sunday.) The Director is hereby
authorized to charge payment of \$1,020.00 to Deposit

Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 003667-0043, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3).

The Director is also hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 003667-0043. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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